

CITY AUDITOR'S REPORT

MONDAY, JULY 8, 2013

RECYCLING GRANT-2013

ON 06/27/13, WE RECEIVED A D.E.P. ACT 101 RECYCLING **PERFORMANCE GRANT** FROM THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA IN THE AMOUNT OF \$96,168. THE RECYCLING PERFORMANCE GRANT IS BASED ON A FORMULA INVOLVING THE VOLUME OF MATERIAL KEPT OUT OF LANDFILLS AND RECYCLED FOR FURTHER RE-USE FROM BOTH COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL SOURCES AND POPULATION TOTALS.

THE FOLLOWING CHART ILLUSTRATES **PERFORMANCE GRANTS** FOR RECYCLING FOR THE YEARS 2000 THROUGH 2013:

YEAR	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE
2013	100,000	96,168	<3,832>
2012	100,000	86,132	<13,868>
2011	200,000	149,951	<50,049>
2010	200,000	203,502	2,502
2009	275,000	299,260	24,260
2008	0	0	0
2007	173,000	149,233	<23,767>
2006	193,000	176,004	<16,996>
2005	136,347	173,479	37,132
2004	136,347	137,530	1,183
2003	150,000	142,865	<7,135>
2002	175,000	136,919	<38,081>
2001	150,000	168,349	18,349
2000	150,000	205,287	55,287

THE CITY OF READING ALSO RECEIVED AN AWARDS LETTER FROM D.E.P. CONFIRMING OUR SUCCESSFUL APPLICATION FOR A PAPER BALER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$250,000.

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK CHARLIE JONES: PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR, FRANK DENBOWSKI: RECYCLING MANAGER, GEOFFREY ZOLNA: SOLID WASTE COORDINATOR AND CINDY DEGROOTE: GRANTS COORDINATOR FOR THEIR EFFORTS IN PREPARING THE GRANT APPLICATIONS AND OBTAINING THESE VALUABLE FUNDS FOR THE CITY'S RECYCLING PROGRAM.

PENSION REVIEW 2013

THE CITY AUDITOR'S OFFICE JUST COMPLETED A REVIEW OF THE EXISTING RETIREES IN THE CITY'S THREE (3) PENSION PLANS; FIRE, POLICE, AND OFFICERS & EMPLOYEES PENSION PLANS.

AS OF JUNE 30, 2013, THERE ARE 115 PENSIONEERS IN THE FIRE PLAN, 292 IN THE POLICE PLAN AND 309 IN THE OFFICERS & EMPLOYEES PLAN. THERE ARE 716 PENSIONEERS COLLECTIVELY BETWEEN ALL THREE (3) PENSION PLANS. NO DISCREPANCIES WERE NOTED OF THE 716 PENSION RECIPIENTS.

THE FOLLOWING CHART ILLUSTRATES THE NUMBER OF PENSIONEERS IN THE CITY'S MUNICIPAL PENSION FUNDS AS OF 6/30/12 AND 6/30/13.

PENSION PLAN	6/30/13	6/30/12	CHANGE
FIRE	115	113	+ 2
POLICE	292	292	0
OFFICERS & EMPLOYEES	309	317	- 8
TOTAL	716	722	- 6

BUDGET AMENDMENT

THE CITY AUDITOR'S OFFICE IS STILL WAITING FOR THE AMENDED BUDGET ORDINANCE FOR THE S.A.F.E.R. GRANT. SINCE THE FIRE DEPARTMENT SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED AND WAS AWARDED A MULTI-MILLION GRANT EARLIER THIS YEAR, WE NEED TO PROPERLY AMEND THE BUDGET WITH ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR FIRE REVENUES (GRANTS) AND EXPENDITURES (SALARIES, BENEFITS. ETC...). CITY COUNCIL ALREADY PASSED AN AMENDED POSITION ORDINANCE WHICH INCREASED THE NUMBER OF FIRE PERSONNEL IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE GRANT BEING ACCEPTED BY THE CITY.